

# *BLM News*

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
Elko Field Office, 3900 East Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada 89801 (775) 753-0200

**DATE:** July 26, 2006  
**ELKO FIELD OFFICE:** 2006-74  
**FOR RELEASE:** July 26, 2006

**CONTACT:** Mike Brown  
(775) 753-0386  
e-mail: [Mike\\_Brown@nv.blm.gov](mailto:Mike_Brown@nv.blm.gov)

## **SUMMER TALK SERIES CONTINUES**

The *Summer 2006 History in the Park - Stories from the West* continues with a presentation on Orrin Porter Rockwell on Tuesday, August 1, 7:00 p.m. on the lawn in the City Park immediately behind the Northeastern Nevada Museum in Elko.

The talk, entitled “Orrin Porter Rockwell – Killer or Saint” will be given by Shirley Jamiel.

Jamiel described her talk, “Orrin Porter Rockwell was a frontiersman, lawman, Utah pioneer and plainsman, and reputed Mormon ‘Destroying Angel.’ This controversial and colorful figure was characterized in newspapers and journals of his day as a notorious gunman and religious zealot. He was born in Belcher, Hampshire County, Massachusetts, in 1813 and was one of the early converts to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He is said to have killed more than 100 men in gun battles in his long career.”

Shirley Jamiel has degrees in Recreational Leadership and Community Organization; Applied Behavioral Science; and a Master's Degree in Psychology. She is a ‘hands on’ historian and has been involved with living history programs since 1971 and enjoys different periods of American history that include the Civil War and the 1800's.

The *Summer 2006 History in the Park - Stories from the West* program is a free lecture series reflecting the wealth of history of Nevada and the American West. Several of the talks focus on stories of the California National Historic Trail.

Sponsored by the Northeastern Nevada Museum, Nevada Humanities Council, and the Bureau of Land Management Elko Field Office, all talks begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be held behind the Museum in the City Park. In the event of inclement weather, the talks will be moved indoors to the Museum Theater. All talks are free and the public is encouraged to attend. Bring a lawn chair or blanket for open seating on the grass.

For more information about the series, contact the Northeastern Nevada Museum in Elko,  
(775) 738-3418.

-blm-